



# Holway Park Community Primary School

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Stargaze, Spirit, and Strive to Sparkle!

14<sup>th</sup> November 2025

## Key Dates

### NOVEMBER 25

19-21 - Yr4 Huish Woods REVISED  
26/27 - Parents Evening  
28 - Colour day in lieu of Christmas Fayre

### DECEMBER 25

10 - FOH Christmas Fayre  
17 - Christmas Dinner  
19 - Christmas Party

### CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

02 - ASC Base Christmas Performance  
  
09 - Severn, Avon, Dart, Derwent, Mersey & Thames Class (14:00)  
10 - Severn, Avon, Dart, Derwent, Mersey & Thames Class (09:30)  
11 - Severn, Avon, Dart, Derwent, Mersey & Thames Class (14:00)

16 - Eden, Dove & Tweed Class (14:00)  
17 - Eden, Dove & Tweed Class (09:30)  
18 - Medway & Tamar Class (14:00)

### CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

22 December 25 – 05 January 26  
6<sup>th</sup> January 26 – School starts.

## Friends Of Holway Events



Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup>  
December  
**RAINBOW FAYRE**

### **A message from Mrs Brewer, the Head Teacher.**

It has been good to see so many children having the opportunity to participate in different learning experiences. Well Done Severn Class who had a really good visit to a local Church, the staff at the Church were so impressed with your behaviour & attitude. Years 4-6 experienced an opportunity to have a workshop based on Shakespeare's play The Tempest and again the staff delivering these workshops were complimentary of the children's attitudes and behaviour. 😊

### **London Residential – March 2026 Year 5**

We have a few spaces available on our Year 5 London Residential trip taking place 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> March 2026. Over three action-packed days, students will enjoy unforgettable experiences including a visit to a museum, a ride on the London Eye, a tour of the Tower of London, and a spectacular West End theatre show.

**We will be finalising bookings for the trip on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2025, this will be the last chance for your child to take part in this exciting trip.**

If your child is interested in joining in, but you're concerned about the cost, please don't hesitate to contact the office before Friday. We are happy to discuss options. Those who qualify for Free School Meals are entitled to a discount which will be applied to your SCOPAY account once the deposit has been paid.

### **Huish Woods – Revised Date 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> November 2025**

We were disappointed that we had to postpone the Yr4 Huish Woods Residential in October, but we are excited that we have been able to rearrange it for the 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> November 2025. Please ensure that you advise the office if there are any changes to your child's medication so the relevant paperwork can be completed.

**IMPORTANT!: As the cold weather is setting in can we please ask you to ensure that your child brings a warm jumper, gloves, scarf and hat with them.**

Please arrive at the school at the normal time on Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> November 25 and enter via the main office entrance into the school hall (not their classroom). Parents will be able to collect at 3:15pm on Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> November 25 from the school hall.

### **We the Curious - Year 4/5's – Revised Date Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2026**

Thank you so much for all the parents that returned their child's consent forms for the We the Curious trip in January. The deadline for permission slips has now passed and can we remind you that all payments need to be paid by 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025. Medical consents forms will be sent out in January.

## Parent Consultations 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> November 2025 – BOOKING INFORMATION

We are pleased to invite you to book a face-to-face Parent Consultation with your child's class teacher to discuss their progress.

Each appointment will last maximum of 10 minutes and will take place in the School Hall on the following dates:

- **Wednesday 26th November 2025 – 4:00pm to 6:30pm**  
*(last appointment starting at 6.20pm)*
- **Thursday 27th November 2025 – 4:00pm to 7:00pm**  
*(last appointment starting at 6.50pm)*



Please book your appointment via your Scopay account at [www.scopay.com](http://www.scopay.com)

- **Bookings open:** Thursday, 13th November 2025 at 6:00pm
- **Bookings close:** Sunday, 23rd November 2025 at 11:45pm

**We kindly ask that you attend the consultation without your children where possible. If childcare cannot be arranged, you will be responsible for supervising your children during the meeting and ensuring they do not disrupt other consultations.**

If you do not have access to Scopay, please contact the school office by email at [office@holwaypark.somerset.sch.uk](mailto:office@holwaypark.somerset.sch.uk) or call 01823 252126.

**(Important: Parent consultations for all ASC Base children will be arranged separately and communicated directly by their class teachers)**

### Parent, Carer and Visitor Code of Conduct – Smoking on Site

As part of our commitment to providing a safe and healthy environment for all, we kindly remind parents, carers, and visitors that smoking is not permitted anywhere on the school site. This includes the car park and inside vehicles while on school grounds. We appreciate your support in upholding this part of our school's Code of Conduct.



### Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor on our school's Governing Body. If you would like to be considered for this role, please refer to the email that was sent out on the 12<sup>th</sup> November 2025 with attached nomination form and accompanying letter, providing further details about the position and its responsibilities.

Completed nomination forms must be returned **no later than midday on Friday, 28th November 2025** to the Returning Officer (the Headteacher) via the Clerk to Governors, Sharon Tretheway, in the school office. Paper copies of the form are also available from the school office if needed.

### RHS Gardening Award - Miss Bowen

I am delighted to announce that we have achieved our Level 1 RHS School Gardening Award. As a reward we were given a selection of seeds to plant at school and a book all about 'Your Wellbeing Garden'. We will now be working towards our Level 2 award, with the help of Miss Porter and all the children. This is a brilliant achievement and will help towards our ECO Green Flag Award that we are hoping to achieve by the end of the school year.





## **Christmas Events**

Christmas is coming and we all know that means carols, nativities, Christmas dinners and Christmas parties. In the coming weeks we will start sending out further information on the various events that will be happening in school. Please keep an eye on your emails.

## **Friends of Holway**



### **Holway Christmas Fayre – Wednesday 10th December 2025!**



Friends of Holway are excited to host the **Annual Christmas Fayre - Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2025** to raise funds for the school. It's always a joyful event, and we're looking forward to seeing everyone there!

As tradition goes, **each class will be assigned a different colour**, and we'll be creating vibrant, themed stalls based on those colours. On **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 25** we will be holding a 'Colour Donation Day', where children can come to school in non-uniform, wearing something of their class colour, in return for a 'bric a brac' donation in the same colour. This could be things such as old toys, games, non-perishable food/drink items, teddies, books, toiletries, gift sets etc.

**Eden and Dove – Red**

**Tweed – Orange**

**Tamar – Grey/Silver**

**Medway – Blue**

**Severn – Yellow**

**Derwent and Dart – Green**

**Avon – Brown/Gold**

**Mersey – Pink**

**Thames – Purple**

**Base Classes – White and Black**

All donated items will be used to stock the coloured stalls, where families can browse and purchase a variety of festive goodies donated by our wonderful community.

### **Hampers/Raffle**

As part of the Christmas Fayre, we will also have a raffle with hampers as prizes. Each class will have a hamper donations list on their door, please put your name next to which item you would like to donate. This is so that we get a variety of items to create the hampers. **All Donations are to be in school by Friday, 5th December**

### **Tombola**

We will also be holding a bottle tombola. If you can donate an item for this, please bring in on donation day.

### **Stall Holders**

If yourself, or anyone you know would like to have a stall at our Christmas Fayre please contact Miss Bowen on email address: [Sophie.Bowen@holwaypark.somerset.sch.uk](mailto:Sophie.Bowen@holwaypark.somerset.sch.uk) for more information. A stall costs £15 and we will require this payment upfront to secure your place at the fayre. Limited places available.

Thank you again for all your continued support. These events would not be possible without the kindness and generosity that you all show to raise money for our school.

## Action Staytions Info



We would like to remind you that we run a chargeable after school club, called 'Action Staytions' which can be booked through the Scopay app on the following times and prices:-

Monday to Friday (term time only)

BREAKFAST (Drop off at School Office)	8.00am to 8.45am	£ 3.50
SHORT SESSION (Pick up - Drop in door)	3.15pm to 4.45pm	£ 6.00
FULL SESSION (Pick up - Drop in door)	3.15pm to 5.45pm (prompt)	£ 9.00

Every session includes a breakfast or a healthy snack.

If you require any further information on how to book or you are having trouble booking in please contact the school office.

### **Collection at the End of the day**

Children who have not been collected from the classrooms by 3.25pm will be taken to the Action Staytions childcare facility, this is a chargeable facility. If parents have an emergency which means they cannot arrive on time to collect their child please contact the school office.

### **FULL ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL IS ESSENTIAL- REGULAR ABSENCE IS REGARDED AS A CHILD SAFEGUARDING ISSUE**

#### **Attendance**

**Attendance is regarded as a Safeguarding issue.**

A big thank you to the majority of parents who make sure their children attend school regularly. Your efforts, working in partnership with the school, will ensure that your child will have the best chance to achieve their potential and have real opportunity in further education and the world of work. It will also enable your child to:

- ✓ access the lessons needed to achieve their expected progress and standards
- ✓ maintain friendships and develop new ones
- ✓ have access to social and sporting events offered by the school
- ✓ develop work habits such as good punctuality which are essential to thrive in the world of employment

#### **Parental Responsibility for Attendance**

Parents are legally responsible for ensuring their child's regular attendance at school. The department for Education and Somerset Council automatically monitor pupil attendance daily through the school registers. The Department for Education informs the Headteacher every two weeks the monitored attendance details of absent pupils. The School Attendance worker will make contact if your child is identified in this monitoring.

If you are worried about your child/children's attendance the first port of call is to discuss your concerns with the school attendance worker – Mrs Sue Wright.

#### **Polite Note**

We are still experiencing a high number of children needing to use the toilet right before school is open, please ensure your child has used the toilet before arriving at school, your support in this matter is greatly appreciated.

#### **Safeguarding**

**Safeguarding our community is everyone's responsibility. If you see or hear something on school site that worries you, please ask to speak to the school safeguarding team. Sensible safe parking can also be regarded as a safeguarding issue.**

## CLASS ACTIVITIES

### Swimming

<b>Thames and Mersey (Tuesday)</b>	<b>09.09.25 – 09.12.25</b>
<b>Medway (Thursday)</b>	<b>11.09.25 – 20.11.25</b>
<b>Tamar (Thursday)</b>	<b>27.11.25 – 12.02.26</b>

### PE Days

Children to wear P.E. kit to school on their P.E days

Dove & Eden	Friday- Indoor PE	Severn	Wednesday - Indoor PE Monday - Outdoor PE	Mersey	Monday - Indoor PE Wednesday - Outdoor PE
Tweed	Monday - Indoor PE Wednesday - Outdoor PE	Avon	Tuesday - Indoor PE Friday - Outdoor PE	Thames	Monday - Indoor PE Wednesday - Outdoor PE
Medway	Thursday - Indoor PE Tuesday - Outdoor PE	Dart	Wednesday - Indoor PE Friday - Outdoor PE		
Tamar	Tuesday - Indoor PE Thursday - Outdoor PE	Derwent	Tuesday - Indoor PE Friday - Outdoor PE		

### Woodlands/Garden – Autumn Term 2025

Tweed	-	Severn	18.11.25	Derwent	27.11.25
Tamar	09.12.25	Avon	25.11.25	Mersey	20.11.25
Medway	-	Dart	04.12.25	Thames	-

### Boardgames 2:45pm – 3:10pm – Autumn Term 2025

Tweed	-	Severn	-	Mersey	04.12.25
Tamar	-	Avon	-	Thames	<del>20.11.25</del> <b>CANCELLED</b>
Medway	27.11.25	Dart	-		
		Derwent	-		

### Read Alongside 2:45pm – 3.10pm – Autumn Term 2025

Eden	26.11.25	Medway	-	Derwent	-
Dove	-	Severn	03.12.25	Mersey	-
Tweed	-	Avon	-	Thames	10.12.25
Tamar	-	Dart	19.11.25		-

### Club Collection Points at 4.15pm– WC 15<sup>th</sup> September – WC 8<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Monday		Gate
Boardgames Club KS2 (Years 3,4,5 & 6)	Avon Classroom	KS2
Book Club KS1 (Years 1 & 2)	Tamar Classroom	KS1
Colouring Club KS1 (Years 1 & 2)	Dart Classroom	KS2
Construction Club KS1 (Years 1 & 2)	Tweed Classroom	KS1
Dance Club KS1 (Years 1 & 2)	Medway Classroom	KS1
Eco Club KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6)	KS2 Playground	KS2
Gruffalo Club KS1 (Years 1 & 2)	Dove Classroom	KS1
Lego Club KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6)	Medway Classroom	KS1
Printing/Art Club UKS2 (Years 5 & 6)	Severn Classroom	KS1
Tuesday		
Lego Club KS1 (Years 1 & 2)	Medway Classroom	KS1
Craft Club KS1 (Years 1 & 2)	Tamar Classroom	KS1
Bracelet Making Club KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6)	Eden Classroom	KS1
Wednesday		
Book Club KS1 (Years 1 & 2)	KS2 Playground	KS2
Spanish Club KS2 (Years 3,4,5 & 6)	Main Entrance	n/a
Art Club KS2 (Years 3,4,5 & 6)	Dove Classroom	KS1

### **Parking outside school**

**Parking illegally or disrespectfully** - Residents have complained about the illegal, inconsiderate and sometimes dangerous parking of parents/Carers before and after school.



**We would like to make parents aware of the Highway Code 243 which includes the following:**

**(from [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk))**

Pick-up and drop-off times are busy outside schools. This can cause an increased safety risk to both children and parents.

**Parking restrictions outside schools are there to keep you and your children safe. Parking inconsiderately can put people in danger and you also risk being fined.** It's important that motorists follow the [Highway Code](#).

### **Parking restrictions outside schools**

Understanding yellow zigzag markings. Most school entrances and exits in the UK have yellow zigzag road markings with the writing 'School Keep Clear'. They indicate the part of the road where motorists should not wait, stop, or park a vehicle. Both yellow and white zigzags also show areas that must be kept clear so that children and other road users can see clearly when crossing the road.

### **Parking on yellow zigzags**

Yellow zigzags without accompanying signs advise motorists not to wait or park there at any time for the safety of children and others. We can issue tickets for parking on them, based on causing an obstruction to other motorists or pedestrians. **DO NOT** stop or park:

- near a school entrance
- anywhere you would prevent access for Emergency Services
- at or near a bus or tram stop or taxi rank
- on the approach to a level crossing/tramway crossing
- opposite or within 10 meters (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space
- near the brow of a hill or hump bridge
- opposite a traffic island or (if this would cause an obstruction) another parked vehicle
- where you would force other traffic to enter a tram lane
- where the kerb has been lowered to help wheelchair users and powered mobility vehicles
- in front of an entrance to a property
- on a bend
- where you would obstruct cyclists' use of cycle facilities.